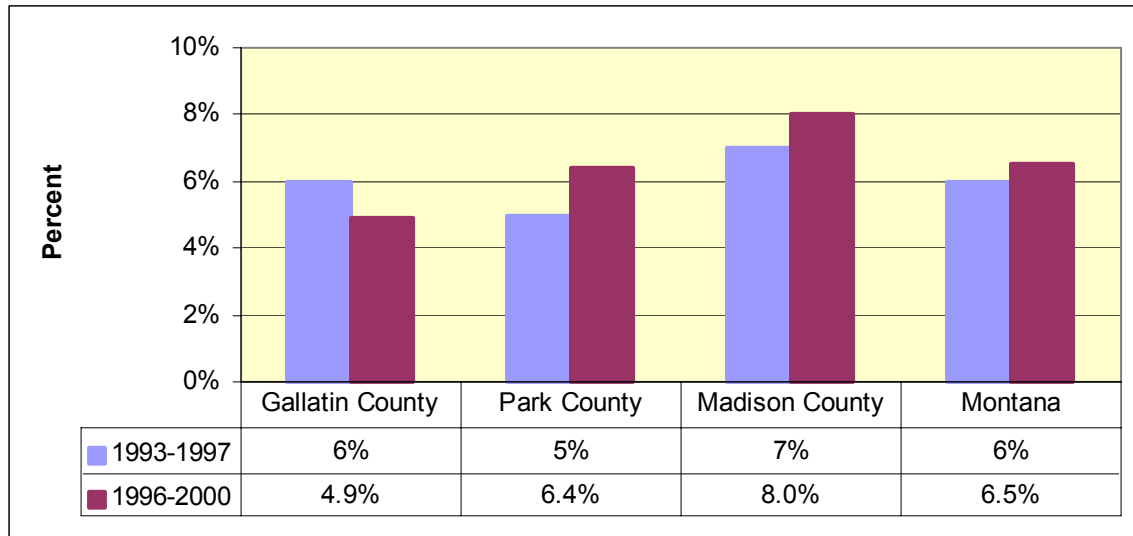


Births: In Gallatin County, the average number of low birth weight infants decreased from 1993-1997 (6%) to 1996-2000 (4.9%), whereas this trend showed increases for the adjacent counties and the state. The percentage of births out of wedlock indicates a slight increase since 1990 (11.7%) to 2000 (16.1%).

Percent Low Birth Weight Infants, 1993-2000



Source: County Health Profile (1998 & 2002), DPHHS

Note: Percent of births for which the weight of the newborn was less than 2500 grams (5lbs 8oz).